Poillon, Arthur

[Military Attache, U.S. Army], 1910-1922

May 30, 1910.

Lieut. Arthur Poillon, U. S. A.,
Fort Reiley,
Kansas.

Dear Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that you have been elected an Associate Member of The American Numismatic Society, on the nomination of Mr. William Poillon.

I am sending, under separate cover, a copy of the Constitution and By-Laws.

I would be very greatly obliged if you would kindly advise me of your acceptance.

Very respectfully,

Secretary.

Headquarters Department of California,
San Francisco, California,

February 20, 1911.

The American Numismatic Society,
15 Sixth Street,
New York City, N. Y.

Gentlemen:-

I have received your notice of dues for the year ending January 20, 1912. I respectfully state that, in view of my present position as an officer of the Army, with more or less liability to change station, travel, etc., I be allowed to resign as an associate member of The American Numismatic Association.

It is with keen regret that I am obliged to sever my connection with

your honorable society, but in view of the facts as above stated I think it better to resign.

Very respectfully,

John Pershing

1st Lieutenant, 14th Cavalry,

Aide-de-Camp.

AP-dwh.

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6/5/22.

Secretary of the
Numis Matic Society,
Anduban Park, N.Y.

Sir:

I have the honor to inform you that the enclosed, a silver plate with description and photographs attached, have been handed to me by Prince P.Wittgenstein. It is forsale and he requests an offer. He and his family are refugees from Russia and would like to dispose of this series of medals which he tells me were only given to the Royal Family, and are quite rare. I know nothing about the matt er and you can correspond either directly with him or with me.

I know nothing about coins although my father is a member of your Society, but thinking that you may be interested, I send it on to you. I imagine an offer in the neighborhood of one hundredfifty thousand (150,000) Lei would get it, although the Prince is rather hazy about the price. 150,000 Lei would equal about $1,000.00. I have not the faintest idea of their value but the description will give you a fair idea. The difficulty would be in getting it back.

Prince Wittgenstein's address at present is:

Franzenzgasse 52
Cernauti - Roumania.

As the family is sorely in need of funds, an early reply is requested. If of sufficent interest, I suggest a reply be by wire as they might dispose of it if anyone should make an offer worthwhile.

I have no interest in this transation one way or the other but will willingly do anything that I can to help these people, so I am taking this liberty.

Very respectfully yours,

A. Poillon

AP:MJ.

Lt. COLONEL ARTHUR POILLON
Military Attache -

June 22nd, 1922

Lt.Colonel Arthur Poillon
Office of the Military Attache
American Legation
Bucharest

Dear Sir:

Responding to your letter of June 5th, I regret to advise that our Museum has no funds with which to make an offer for the Plate about which you wrote us, and I am returning the photograph and description herewith.

I know of no members who are interested in medals of this kind and to whom I could refer the matter. I very much regret being unable to aid you in this connection.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

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Encs.

Note arrived by Mr. Lord. Giving name + address of Schulman - Hillaut.